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Art Unit: 2824

Re: T. TAKAHASHI, et al. – Application No.: 09/974,962
Our Ref. No.: 501.34214R00

SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the attached "Statement of Status and Support for Claim Changes"(2 pgs), "Claim for Foreign Priority" (2 pgs), and an "Amendment" (8 pgs), in the above-identified application.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION:

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STATEMENT OF STATUS AND SUPPORT
FOR CHANGES IN CLAIMS

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.173, it is noted that the status of the claims, as of the present date of the Amendment being filed herewith, is that all of the original claims 1-9 have been amended, and new claims 10-19 remain pending in this case, with amendments being made to claims 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18 and 19 by the March 26, 2003 Amendment. By the Amendment filed herewith, typographical errors in claims 1 and 2 which incorrectly changed the last line of claim 1 and the first line of claim 2 have been corrected.

It is noted that the reference for support for the corrected claim language is found in Fig. 5, but is not intended to suggest that this figure represents the only support for the claim language, or that the invention is intended to be limited to the specific illustration represented by this figure.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (501.34214R00).

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CLAIM FOR FOREIGN PRIORITY

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Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 119, Applicants hereby claim foreign priority based on Japanese Patent Application JP 6-334950, filed in Japan on December 20, 1994. It is noted that a Certified copy of the priority document has been filed in application Serial Number 08/574,104, which is a parent application of the application of the original Patent Number 5,966,341 to which this present reissue application is directed.

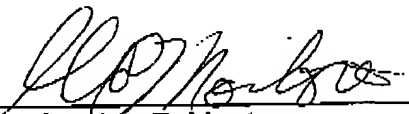
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